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SYSTEM FOR DATA

COMPRESSION/DECOMPRESSION

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### RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the election of species requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed October 5, 2004, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group II, species of the second embodiment (Fig. 5) for continued examination. Claims 2, 7, 12 and 16 are readable thereon.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 21776-00054-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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